

## 2022 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT "THE WATER WE DRINK" PARSHALL-LUCKY MOUND WATER SYSTEM PWSID# 083890017

The purpose of this report is to inform you of the quality of the drinking water that the Parshall-Lucky Mound water system provides.

The Parshall-Lucky Mound Water Distribution System is located just south of the community of Parshall on the eastern edge of the Fort Berthold Reservation. The Parshall-Lucky Mound water system is classified as a consecutive system which purchases water from the city of Parshall's surface water treatment plant. The Parshall water treatment plant is a surface water plant which pumps raw water from Lake Sakakawea and provides treatment through an ultrafiltration membrane system. Following the treatment process the water is injected with chlorine and fluoride prior to being pumped to a 750,000 gallon elevated storage reservoir which provides pressure and storage for the Parshall-Lucky Mound distribution system. In 2022 our water department distributed approximately 133 million gallons of treated water to our customers. This report shows the water quality provided by the Parshall-Lucky Mound Water system and what that water quality means to you the consumer. The EPA Region 8 Office in Denver, Colorado reviews all of our testing data to ensure that we are providing safe drinking water to our users, and we are complying with EPA regulations.

If you have any questions concerning this report, our water system, or water quality concerns, please contact Joseph Silveria, Director of Fort Berthold Rural Water (FBRW) at (701) 627-8185. If you are aware of individuals who need help with the appropriate language translation, please call the Tribal Business Office at (701) 627-8100.

The Parshall-Lucky Mound Water System would appreciate community segment employees and other large volume water customers post copies of this Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) in visible locations, or distribute them to tenants, residents, patients, students, or employees on the water system.

The Parshall-Lucky Mound Water System routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal laws. We monitor monthly for coliform bacteria, all samples have been satisfactory, no detects. As authorized and approved by EPA, we have reduced monitoring requirements for certain contaminants to less often than once a year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of our data (e.g. for organic contaminants), though representative, may be more than one year old. A specific listing of the contaminants can be obtained from the Fort Berthold Rural Water Office.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the Environmental Protection Agency prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

The sources of drinking water (both tap and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land, or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

## Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

*Microbial Contaminants*, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

*Inorganic Contaminants*, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

**Pesticides and Herbicides**, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.

**Organic Chemical Contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

**Radioactive Contaminants**, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

## **2022 Water Quality Tests Results**

This section of the report contains a table with terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

<u>Action Level (AL)</u> – the concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements, which a water system must follow.

<u>Maximum Contaminant Level</u> (MCL) - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

<u>Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)</u> - The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

NA – Not applicable

<u>Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l)</u> – ppm is a measure of the concentration of a contaminant in water, one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

<u>Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter ( $\mu g/l$ )</u> - ppb is a measure of the concentration of a contaminant in water, one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

<u>Picocuries per liter (pCi/L)</u> – picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Public Water System Identification Number (PWSID) – a unique identifier number assigned by the EPA.

<u>Running Annual Average (RAA)</u> – running annual arithmetic average computed monthly or quarterly.

<u>Treatment Technique (TT)</u> – A treatment technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

<u>Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)</u> - The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants. All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or manmade. These substances can be microbes, inorganic or organic chemicals and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

The following tables include only the contaminants that were detected by the laboratory. The laboratory did not detect most of the contaminants that EPA requires us to monitor.

PARSHALL-LUCKY MOUND - 083890017											
2022 SAMPLE RESULTS											
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Date	Unit Measure ment	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination				
Coliform		12- samples	1 per Month Required	Presence or			Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other potentially harmful bacterial				
Bacteria	N	(0 detects)	2022	Absence	NA	NA	may be present.				
Inorganic Contaminants											
		(90 <sup>th</sup> percentile) <b>0.746</b>	2022				Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from				
Copper	N	0 site above A.L. (90 <sup>th</sup> percentile) 1.28	2022	ppm	1.3	A.L.=1.3	wood preservatives.  Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of				
Lead	N	0 site above A.L.	2022	ppb	0	A.L.=15	natural deposits.				
Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts/Organics											
		Range (0.8 – 1.3)	Monthly		MRDL G	MRDL	Water additive used to control				
Chlorine	N	1.3	2022	ppm	=4	=4	microbes.				
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) DBP	N	Range (42.91 – 61.55) <b>RAA-54</b>	2022	ppb	NA	80	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection				
Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) DBP	N	Range (25.4 – 33.5) RAA-31	2022	ppb	NA	60	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection				

EPA requires monitoring of over 80 drinking water contaminants. Those contaminants listed in the table above are the only contaminants detected in your drinking water.

The Parshall Lucky Mound had no violations for calendar year 2022.

PARSHALL WATER TREATMENT PLANT-083890030 (formerly ND3100775) 2022 SAMPLE RESULTS											
~	Violation	Level		Unit			Likely Source of				
Contaminant	Y/N	Detected	Date	Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Contamination				
Inorganic Contaminants											
Copper	1.3	90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile 0.27 0 Sites exceeded A.L.	2020	ppm	1.3	A.L.=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.				
Lead	N	Percentile 1.0 0 Sites exceeded A.L.	2020	ppb	0	A.L.=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.				
Arsenic	N	3.0	2022	ppb	0	10	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes				
Barium	N	0.0483	2022	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes, Discharge from metal refineries, Erosion of natural deposits				
Chromium	N	1.28	2022	ppb	100	100	Discharge from plastic and fertilizer factories; Discharge from steel/metal factories				
Fluoride	N	Range (0.63- 0.633) <b>0.6</b>	2022		4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive to promote strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.				
Nitrate-Nitrite (as		Range (0.27- 0.238)		ppm	4	4	Runoff from fertilizer use, leaching from septic tanks, sewage, erosion of natural				
Nitrogen) Selenium	N N	0.238	2022	ppm	50	10 50	deposits  Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines.				
Disinfection Byproducts											
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) DBP Total Haloacetic	N	Range (41.49 -69.88) <b>60</b> Range	Quarterly 2022	ppb	NA	80	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection				
Acids (HAA5) DBP	N	(20.55-41.4) 31	Quarterly 2022	ppb	NA	60	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection				
Radioactive Contaminants											
Uranium	N	Range (2.0-2.0) 2.0	2021	ppb	0	30	Erosion of natural deposits				

**Turbidity** – Turbidity is monitored continually with inline turbidimeters and recorded on the Parshall Water Treatment Plants SCADA system. The lowest monthly percentage of samples meeting turbidity limits = 100%. The highest single turbidity measurement = 0.1 ntu. Turbidity is a measurement of the cloudiness of the water and can be a good indicator of water quality. The percentage of Total Organic Carbon (TOC) was measured each month and the system met all TOC removal requirements set.

As you can see in the Table above, Parshall had no violations for 2022.

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## **More Information About Certain Contaminants**

<u>Lead</u>. If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Parshall-Lucky Mound Water System is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your drinking water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available form the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <a href="http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead">http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead</a>.

Some people who drink trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

MCL's are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health affect.

While your drinking water meets EPA's standard for arsenic, it does contain low levels of arsenic. EPA's standard balances the current understanding of arsenic's possible health effects against the costs of removing arsenic from drinking water. EPA continues to research the health effects of low level arsenic, which is a mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health effects such as skin damage and circulatory problems.

We at the Parshall-Lucky Mound Water System work on a daily basis to provide top quality water to every tap on our system. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future.